ABSTRACT

An apparatus and method for controlling the intake air amount in an internal combustion engine provided with a throttle valve and an intake air amount changing means linked with the same, the intake air amount control apparatus and method of an internal combustion engine finding a target intake air amount mcta based on an accelerator opening degree and engine speed (step 101), determining a target setting Cvta for said intake air amount changing means based on at least said target intake air amount (step 103), and finding a target throttle opening degree θ tta based on model equations creating a model of an engine intake system and expressing the air passing through the engine intake system from said target intake air amount mcta and the target setting Cvta (step 107).

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